LAKEWOOD TENNIS ASSOCIATION

BOARD MEETING MINUTES June 12, 2021, 4:00 PM (Daniels Park)

Present: Linda Wenz, Sharon Dutton, Roy Dutton, Kristine Od Brien, Tia Heneghan, Mary Johanson, Emily Wheeler

Mary called the meeting to order at 4:21 p.m. The board and annual minutes from March 2021 were accepted as written.

Committee Reports

Treasurer – Kristine O'Brien

• Balance at the end of May was \$16,911.16.

Membership – Harold Bassett

- The membership of LTA as of 6/12 is 153.
- Membership is way down . we need to recruit new members.
- Emily Wheeler and Greg Aigner designed recruitment signs to be hung at Daniels and Morse Parks. Greg will get an estimate and have signs printed once Holly gets approval from the city.

Socials – Kristine O'Brien and Mary Johanson

- July Social:
 - The next social will be held July 24 at Daniels Park from 5-9 PM. We will provide food just like the June social (hamburgers/hotdogs, chips, cookies, fruit).
 - Social will be the traditional (pre-COVID) format.
- North Jeffco Challenge:
 - Mary has been working with Kevin Thistle to plan the North Jeffco Challenge. The North Jeffco Challenge is scheduled for August 28, 2021. Tentatively 4-8 PM.
 - LTA will host and provide food. We are planning to have the social at the indoor Arvada Tennis Center Courts (4 courts) with the food served on the patios. We can also use some outdoor courts if necessary.
 - Summer rates are \$22 to \$24 per hour for indoor courts and \$8 to \$12 for outdoor courts. LTA and North Jeffco will share the cost of the courts. We will charge \$20 for all (both members and non-members).
 - Tentatively planning on having pizza, salad, and drinks for food, but other options are still being considered.

Vail Social Director – Karen Noreyko

- The 2021 Vail tennis weekend is scheduled for Sept. 17-19.
- Vail had a number of condo owners sell their units this year so Karence contact @ VRC is just now getting a handle on how many of each type of condo are available as rentals. It looks like enough are available that Karen can move forward with the idea to offer two levels for those attending Vail. (We needed a fair number of 3 bedroom units to make the numbers work to offer this.) It also does hinge on everyone feeling that it's okay to go back to group meals. Ideas: We could consider asking those attending to fill their plates at the condo serving the meal, and then use the park as the spot to gather and eat. If we think we need to rent the park location for both nights, that would cost an additional \$165

(\$82.35/time). Just be aware that there are no refunds on park rentals. If the board agrees that it's safe going back to having someone in our group prepare the meals, as in the past, then we can offer the following as costs for 2021. And just FYI, there is NO WAY we can attempt to do what we did last year and find restaurants to purchase the food from. The establishments weren't interested because we didn't have enough money in the budget for food--from their perspective. We have two choices, someone in the group prepares the meals as before, or everyone is on their own for all their food.

- If you are okay sharing a bedroom (couples or individuals as we have 2019 and prior): \$170/each. If you would like your own bedroom: \$230/each. These prices include 2 courtside breakfasts (similar to 2019), Happy Hour....minimal snacks only (simply a place to gather prior to Friday's dinner), Friday and Saturday dinners, Saturday lunch, beverages including alcohol, and all the tennis as normal.
- Registration will open July 9th. This is a few days earlier than in the past because we
 need to lock in final condo styles once we know that based on those actually registering.
 We need to confirm all that with Vail Racquet Club and release any units we don't need.
 The last three years they've been way less rigid about only allowing us to have what was
 on the initial contract.
- In the past Vail Racquet Club charged the same amount for a 2-bedroom unit that had a loft as those without. They now charge \$30/per night (\$60 for our weekend) more for a loft. So we may not have the resources for any of those condos this year, depending on how registration goes. (That is probably all you need to share with the board.)
- So, for coordination purposes, in the past when we could make use of a loft unit for the men, because they don't want to sleep in the same bed. That will not be possible this year at the lower \$170 rate. The best we can do is assign them one of the 2-bedroom units that has twin beds in one of the bedrooms, one guy gets the queen bed, and then I guess male number four sleeps on the couch. I don't think we've had more than one condo of single men any year. One year there were only three men in the "single men" condo. I suppose once registration is full, IF we have a condo of four single men, we could offer them a loft unit for \$15/each more??? We'll just have to see who all registers.

Newsletter – Emily Wheeler

• Emily is exploring new ways of generating community involvement with the newsletter (a more targeted approach of reaching out to people and asking them to write an article about a certain topic.

Webmaster/4.0 Men's Representative – Jeff Monroe

- LTA fielded our first 4.0 Mencs 18-39 team. Only one of the players has registered as a member of LTA. Jeff thinks the captain relayed the information since that one registered yesterday, but they are slow. These are all new LTA members.
- We also fielded 2 teams at 18+ and 40+ (pretty much back on track after COVID).
- Jeff is looking to transition role_@ emails to name@ emails. He found a way to transition them easily from name to name (when someone hands off their position) and names are more personal.

Intra-club Coordinators – Shannon Mooney (Men's and Women's Leagues), Mixed Leagues (Hae Monroe)

- We still struggle to fill 6.0 to 9.0 teams in 18+ and 40+. The only mixed teams via LTA were Dave Winslowos 18+ 8.0 team and Haeos 40+ 8.0 team that is currently playing. Hae had to combine her 18+ 8.0 members with members from NJTC to form a full team.
- There is a 6.5 team captained by Rex Zerr and Brigid McClaire and an 8.5 team captained by me. We could have more 8.5 teams if we could get more players rated 4.0 and above to participate or captain. We had a guy interested in captaining another 8.5 team, but he couldnot find enough folks to fill that team. Hae couldnot find enough women for him either.
- Hae is going to work on organizing a Friday night social mixer round robin for the fall and winter seasons with hopes of meeting more people who want to play mixed at all levels.
- No report from Shannon.

City of Lakewood and Lakewood Park Tennis Liaison, Holly Carlson

• Holly is the keeper of leftover zip ties for next years wind screen installation.

Open Forum

• Discussed the importance of setting up and regularly checking LTA email addresses.

Next Board Meeting: July 24, 2021 at 4:00 PM (Daniels Park)